

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A storage system, for covering advantages of the "In band method" and the "Out of band method", while complementing disadvantages thereof with each other, comprising: an external storage device having storage data and storage operating data for  
5 operating the storage data; a host computer being connected to the external storage device, on which an application is able to operate; and a storage operating server, being connected to the external storage device and the host computer, and having a storage  
10 operating server program therein, for obtaining the storage operating data from the external storage device, wherein the application operates the storage operating data through the storage data server program.